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1. THE COMMANDER ROYAL SAUDI AIR FORCE HAS REQUESTED AN LOA BE FURNISHED TO THE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVT (SAG) THAT WILL PROVIDE FOR THE SERVICES OF A MUNITIONS TAFT.
2. MISSION. TO ASSIST THE RSAF DIRECTORATE OF OPERATIONS AND RSAF DIRECTORATE OF LOGISTICS (ARMAMENT) IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES, PRACTICES, AND CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS FOR NEWLY ACQUIRED MUNITIONS AND THOSE ALREADY POSSESSED BY THE RSAF. TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AN IMPROVED COMBAT CAPABILITY THROUGH THE APPLICATION, TRAINING, AND PRACTICE WITH THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF RSAF WEAPONRY. SPECIFIC AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED INCLUDE PROCUREMENT, STORAGE, BUILD-UP, LOADING, EMPLOYMENT, AND ASSESSMENT OF DELIVERY EFFECTIVENESS.
3. TEAM COMPOSITION:
 - A. ONE 04AF 05 MUNITIONS STAFF OFFICER AFSC 4054.
 - B. ONE 04/AF 05 AIR OPERATIONS STAFF OFFICER AFSC S1455G.
4. TEAM QUALIFICATIONS:
 - A. MUNITIONS STAFF OFFICER: THIS TEAM MEMBER MUST BE A FULLY QUALIFIED MUNITIONS STAFF OFFICER WITH A UNCLASSIFIED

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MINIMUM OF FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCE IN THE MUNITIONS FIELD. A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS EXPERIENCE WITH A TACTICAL WEAPON SYSTEM F-4, A-7, F-5, OR SIMILAR SYSTEM IS REQUIRED. THIS OFFICER MUST HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE IN THE AREAS OF AFK SUPPLY (REQUISITIONING, STOCK-CONTROL, TRANSPORTATION, AND SELECTION OF WRM LEVELS), STORAGE, INSPECTION AND HANDLING PROCEDURES; WEAPONS BREAKOUT; CONVOY MOVEMENT; WEAPONS LOADING; EXPLOSIVE

SAFETY; SECURITY; AND UNIT MOBILITY. HE MUST ALSO POSSESS THE ABILITY TO DEVELOP MUNITION PLANS AND PROGRAMS, DETERMINE WEAPONS STORAGE SPACE AND RELATED FACILITY REQUIREMENTS, AND MUST POSSESS A GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF MUNITION DISPOSAL PROCEDURES.

B. AIR OPERATIONS STAFF OFFICER: THIS TEAM MEMBER MUST BE INTIMATELY FAMILIAR WITH TACTICAL FLYING OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS AND EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURES. HE MUST ALSO HAVE AT LEAST TWO YEARS PRACTICAL MUNITIONS EXPERIENCE WITH FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF TACTICAL WEAPONS EMPLOYMENT. THIS OFFICER MUST BE ABLE TO DEVELOP COMMAND POST PROCEDURES FOR THE ORDERLY TRANSFER OF WEAPONS/MUNITONS, TO INCLUDE COMMAND POST DESIGN, LOADING ORDERS, REGULATIONS AND OPERATING PROCEDURES. ADDITIONALLY, HE MUST BE ABLE TO INTERGRATE MUNITIONS REQUIREMENTS WITH OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND DEVELOP, ALONG WITH THE OTHER TEAM MEMBER, AN OVERALL MUNITIONS CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS WHICH ADDRESSES ALL AREAS FROM WEAPONS BREAKOUT TO EMPLOYMENT AND TARGET ASSESSMENT.

5. TIME FRAME:

A. START DATE: ASAP.

B. DURATION: ONE YEAR.

6. STATEMENT OF WORK:

A. MUNITIONS STAFF OFFICER: TEAM MEMBER WILL ASSIST THE RSAF IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OVERALL MUNITIONS CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS AND PROCEDURES AND TECHNIQUES NECESSARY FOR EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF MUNITIONS DIRECTIVES AND OPERATIONS/ MUNITION PLANS. HE WILL ALSO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MUNITIONS STAFF FUNCTION AT RSAF HQ TO INCLUDE AN AMMUNITION CONTROL POINT FOR COORDINATING AND CONTROLLING ALL MUNITIONS UNCLASSIFIED

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REQUIREMENTS. HE WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AFK AND MUNITIONS CONTROL FUNCTIONS AT BASE LEVEL. HE WILL ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDIZED STORAGE, INSPECTION, AND HANDLING PROCEDURES AND WEAPONS BREAKOUT AND MOVEMENT GUIDELINES. HE WILL ALSO PROVIDE GUIDANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF WRM REQUIREMENTS AND MOBILITY PLANS AND PROCEDURES. ADDITIONALLY, HE WILL ADVISE THE RSAF IN ALL MUNITIONS RELATED ACTIVITIES SUCH AS SAFETY AND SECURITY.

B. AIR OPERATIONS STAFF OFFICER: THE TEAM MEMBER WILL ASSIST THE RSAF IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OVERALL MUNITIONS CONCEPT OF OPERATION TO INCLUDE MUNITIONS RELATED COMMAND POST ACTIVITIES, OPERATIONAL PLANS AFFECTING THE MUNITIONS AREA, AND A WEAPONS DISTRIBUTION PLAN. HE WILL ASSIST IN THE INTEGRATION OF OPERATIONS/MUNITONS FUNCTIONS WHERE REQUIRED AND ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WEAPONS LOADING PLAN COMPRISING ALL ACTIONS FROM THE INITIATION OF THE LOAD THROUGH ACTUAL EMPLOYMENT AND TARGET ASSESSMENT.

7. SUPPORT SERVICES:

A. ALL EXPENSES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TEAM WILL BE

PAID BY THE SAG UNDER THE FMS CASE.

B. THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT FOR SUPPORT
SHOULD BE ARRANGED PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF TEAM:

(1) HOUSING: AS A MINIMUM, QTRS WILL INCLUDE
FURNISHED PVT BEDROOM WITH REFRIGERATOR AND SHARED BATH
FOR EACH TEAM MEMBER TO INCLUDE CLEANING SERVICE. TEAM
MEMBERS WILL BE HOUSED IN SAME GENERAL LOCATION AND HAVE
ACCESS TO MESSING FACILITY.

(2) TRANSPORTATION:

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A. PROVIDE A MINIMUM OF ONE SEDAN IN RIYADH
AND TRANSPORTATION AS REQUIRED AT OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE
KINGDOM. FUEL COUPONS AND MAINTENANCE, AS REQUESTED,
WILL BE PROVIDED BY MODA.

B. PROVIDE EACH TEAM MEMBER POSSESSING A
DRIVERS LICENSE WITH A SAUDI ARABIA. DRIVERS LICENSE
UPON HIS ARRIVAL.

C. PROVIDE COMMERCIAL AIRLINE TICKETS
AS REQUESTED BY TEAM CHIEF FOR OFFICIAL VISITS WITHIN
THE KINGDOM. SAG WILL MAKE AND CONFIRM RESERVATIONS.
AND OBTAIN TICKETS FOR TEAM MEMBERS.

(3) OFFICE SPACE, FURNITURE, AND SUPPLIES:
PROVIDE ADEQUATE OFFICE SPACE FOR EACH TEAM MEMBER IN
HIS PRIMARY WORK AREA TO INCLUDE DESK, CHAIR, FILING
CABINET, TELEPHONE, OFFICE SUPPLIES, AND CLEANING.
TYPING SUPPORT TO BE PROVIDED BY MODA AS NEEDED.
PROVIDE UNLIMITED ACCESS TO PHOTO COPYING MACHINE.

(4) TRAVEL CLEARANCE: PROVIDE RSAF AREA CLEARANCE
DOCUMENTS TO TEAM MEMBERS GOOD FOR DURATIONS OF ASSIGNMENT.

(5) CUSTOMS CLEARANCE: SAG WILL INSURE IMMEDIATE

CUSTOMS CLEARANCE FOR ALL REQUIRED FOR THE MISSION.

(6) AN RSAF OFFICER OF EQUAL RANK TO THE TEAM
CHIEF WILL BE DESIGNATED LIAISON OFFICER AND WILL
ACCOMPANY THE TEAM DURING OFFICIAL VISITS TO RSAF BASES.
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HE WILL ALSO ASSIST IN THE COORDINATION OF TEAM BUSINESS
WITH RSAF HQS.

(7) DRAFTSMAN SUPPORT WILL BE PROVIDED BY SAG
TO PREPARE ALL BRIEFING CHARTS FOR BRIEFINGS PRESENTED
TO RSAF COMMANDER AND/OR HIS STAFF.

(8) TEAM MEMBERS WILL HAVE THE SAME LEGAL STATUS
AS MEMBER OF USMTMSA.

8. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

A. THE TAFT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO THE CHIEF, USMTMSA,
WHILE IN SAUDI ARABIA.

B. TEAM MEMBERS WILL REVIEW THE 1974 DOD SURVEY REPORT
PRIOR TO DEPARTING THE CONUS.

C. TEAM MEMBERS WILL ATTEND A CULTURAL FAMILIARIZATION
COURSE BEFORE DEPARTING THE CONUS. RECOMMEND "TAFT-SAUDI
ARABIA" COURSE THAT IS/WAS TAUGHT AT HURLBERTS FIELD.

D. TEAM MEMBERS WILL BRING THEIR OWN SOURCE AND
REFERENCE MATERIAL DUE TO LIMITED AVAILABILITY OF CURRENT
PRODUCTS IN SAUDI ARABIA.

E. THE TEAM WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING A
FINAL TOUR REPORT FOR THE CHIEF, USMTMSA.

F. THE TEAM WILL BE STATIONED IN KHAYBAR AND REQUIRE
FREQUENT TDY TO RSAF BASES.

G. NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN UNTIL APPROVAL BY AMEMBASSY,
SAUDI ARABIA.

9. A. REQUEST EMBASSY APPROVAL TO ALL ADDRESSEES.

B. UPON RECEIPT OF AMEMBASSY APPROVAL, REQUEST
USAF/LGF INITIATE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

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